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Forever Honor and Never Forget

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Dear Friend,

I am happy to be back to work in Washington, D.C. after a busy month in Arizona hosting hearings on the EPA, holding roundtables for jobs and listening to your concerns about the federal government.

This week, the country paused to honor the lives of nearly 3,000 people lost in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. The September 11th attacks shook the nation, but could not break it.



Let us honor the victims of September 11th, please [click above](#).

God bless those who answered the call to help their fellow citizens on that day, and those who continue to defend our liberty every day. God bless the victims and their families. We will forever honor and never forget them.

Addressing the Atrocities in Libya

My condolences and prayers go out to the families of Ambassador Stevens and the consulate staff viciously killed in

Libya.



Brad, the Wounded-Warrior and Veterans Caseworker for our office in Casa Grande, AZ lowers the United States and POW/MIA flags to half-staff to honor the victims of the attack on our consulate in Benghazi, Libya.

These outrageous attacks go beyond the Middle East, as they strike at the core beliefs of freedom that our nation stands for. I hope swift and appropriate actions are taken to find and hold accountable those responsible.

In my view, attacking our embassy and our foreign diplomats, is an attack on United States sovereignty. I would support swift, certain and deadly military response to such acts of war, and encourage our President to consider as much.

I will continue to push for common sense solutions in the Middle East. The House unanimously passed my amendment in the Fiscal Year 2013 Defense Appropriations Bill (H.R.5856) that prohibits the use of any military funds, or military assistance, to the Muslim Brotherhood, Iran, Syria, Hamas, and Hezbollah. None of these organizations or countries are friendly towards the United States, and each of them harbor hate towards our friend and ally, Israel.

Celebrating our Constitution

When I was sworn in as a Member of Congress I affirmed that I would support and defend the Constitution of the United States. **My oath of office is something I take very seriously.**



I keep a copy of the Constitution with me at all times.

This coming Monday, September 17th is Constitution Day. On this day in 1787, the delegates of the Constitutional Convention met to sign the final version of our Constitution.

I look forward to celebrating this important day by meeting with local students in Arizona and discussing this vital document with them. [Please click here to read more on the Constitution.](#)

We Have Lost Confidence in the Attorney General

Despite having been held in contempt of Congress and currently facing a federal lawsuit, Attorney General Holder continues to believe that he is above the law. Congress and the public have demanded for over a year answers and accountability from the Attorney General, yet received neither.



Currently, there are [115 members](#) of the House of Representatives who have lost confidence in the Attorney General.

Yesterday, I sent a letter to Chairman Lamar Smith of the House Judiciary Committee requesting that my resolution of "No Confidence" in Attorney General Holder be sent to the House floor for a vote. Please [click here](#) to see the letter.

The Latest on Operation Fast and Furious

Next Thursday, my colleagues and I from the Committee on Government and Oversight Reform will be holding a hearing to question the Department of Justice Inspector General Michael Horowitz on his soon-to-be released report on Operation Fast and Furious.



To watch the latest on Fast and Furious please [click above](#).

You will be able to watch as we demand answers and accountability by following the hearing online at: <http://oversight.house.gov>.

"No" To Spending Increases

This week, I voted against the Continuing Resolution (H.J. Res. 117), legislation that would increase federal spending by over \$4 billion dollars over the next six months.



The message from the people of Arizona has never been more clear: crazy runaway spending must stop.

We are in our fourth year of trillion dollar deficits, and our nation now faces over \$16 trillion in debt. The federal government is too big and spends too much money. Congress cannot keep passing appropriation bills that increase spending-- even small increases. [Please click here to read more.](#)

No More Solyndras

This week, the House passed the “No More Solyndras” Act, which effectively phases out the Department of Energy’s loan guarantee program and protects taxpayer’s from bearing the costs of failed loan guarantees like the \$535 million bankrupt Solyndra.



The American people are tapped out. Every hard earned dollar the government takes from them means less for their families.

In addition to meaningful cuts in spending, the least we can do is be good stewards of the money we do collect. The use and abuse of taxpayer money to benefit political allies is absurd. I was sent to D.C. to stand against business as usual, and supporting this bill is a step in the right direction

Honored to be a “Guardian of Small Business”

This week, I was honored to be recognized by the National Federation of Independent Business as a “Guardian of Small Business” for my work in the 112th Congress to protect America’s small business owners.



I was honored to receive the "Guardian of Small Business" award.

As a small business owner for over 25 years, I know that small businesses are the key to restoring American prosperity and boosting our economy. I will continue to protect job creators from over-regulation and anti-growth policies. [Please read more here.](#)

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter [@repgosar](#), or through [Facebook](#) at Representative Paul Gosar.

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